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DPD 1654-59 Copy / of 6 11 March 1959 MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, DPD Map Case Emergency Oxygen System (interim) Pursuant to Administrative Memorandum #116, paragraph 3d, the attached request for program approval is submitted. 25X1 Chief, Operations Branch

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Subject: Map Case Emergency Oxygen System

Type Q-289 (interim) Purpose: To secure funding and construction authorization for five emergency oxygen systems for "B" detachment. Pilots desire installation of a completely independent oxygen system in all U-2 aircraft prior operation. Their demand is based on the recognition 25X1 that any oxygen malfunction in the present system would cause descent to lower altitude and consequential project compromise. Work Required: LAC to construct five each Q-289 type map case emergency oxygen systems and forward ASAP to "B" detachment. LAC has quoted cost at | per unit. Transportation and installation cost is 25X1 unknown but considered negligible. Additional Related Work: None expected. Funds in SP-1917. 25X1 4. Total Estimated Cost: Delivery Schedule: Earliest possible date. Installation must be completed by time of operation. 25X1 Remarks: Verbal project approval was obtained from Acting Chief, DPD, on 6 March 1959. System is labeled "interim" insofar as a permanent type dual oxygen system under development at LAC will not be available prior operation. Components of the Q-289 system will serve as seat. 25X1 pack spares following the development of a permanent type emergency oxygen system. Chief, Operations Br. 25X1 25X1 APPROVED: Acting Chief, DPD-DD/P